

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:162
ANSWERED ON:14.03.2002
CLOSURE OF PIB OFFICES
GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAV;RAGHUVIR SINGH KAUSHAL

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of Press Information Bureau offices being run by the Government all over the country, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government have formulated any scheme for reorganization of PIB offices on the recommendations of Geetakrishnan Committee Report;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) the number and names of PIB offices, which were proposed to be closed by the Government, State-wise; and
- (e) the details of criteria fixed for opening/closing or reorganizing of PIB offices?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.162 FOR
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(a) Besides PIB Headquarters at New Delhi, there are 42 PIB Offices all over the country. The details are given in the Annexure.

(b), (c), (d) & (e): Reorganization of PIB offices has been a continuous process involving rationalization of staff deployment, closing down some offices and opening new ones in newly created States. The presence of PIB offices is decided so as to enable the organization to effectively disseminate information on government policies, programmes, initiatives etc.

ANNEXURE AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.162 FOR REPLY C
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NUMBER OF PRESS INFORMATION BUREAU OFFICES, STATE-WISE

NAME OF STATES AND UNION TERRITORIES

ANDAMAN & NICOBAR (U.T.)

1. Port Blair

ANDHRA PRADESH

2. Hyderabad

3. Vijayawada

ASSAM

4. Guwahati

BIHAR

5. Patna

CHANDIGARH (U.T.)

6. Chandigarh

CHATTISGARH

7. Raipur

GOA

8. Panaji

GUJARAT

9. Ahmedabad

10. Rajkot

HIMACHAL PRADESH

11. Shimla

JAMMU & KASHMIR

12. Jammu

13. Srinagar

KARNATAKA

14. Bangalore

KERALA

15. Thiruvananthapuram

16. Kochi

17. Kozhikode

MADHYA PRADESH

- 18. Bhopal
- 19. Indore

MAHARASHTRA

- 20. Mumbai
- 21. Nagpur
- 22. Nanded
- 23. Pune

MANIPUR

- 24. Imphal

MEGHALAYA

- 25. Shillong

MIZORAM

- 26. Aizawl

NAGALAND

- 27. Kohima

ORISSA

- 28. Bhubaneswar
- 29. Cuttack

PUNJAB

- 30. Jalandhar

RAJASTHAN

- 31. Jaipur
- 32. Kota
- 33. Jodhpur

SIKKIM

- 34. Gangtok

TAMIL NADU

- 35. Chennai
- 36. Madurai

TRIPURA

- 37. Agartala

UTTAR PRADESH

- 38. Lucknow
- 39. Varanasi
- 40. Kanpur

UTTARANCHAL

- 41. Dehradun

WEST BENGAL

- 42. Kolkata

Apart from above, PIB (HQs) and an Information Centre are located in Delhi.